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Express Mail Label Number Date of Deposit Form PTO-1390-MOD (REV 10-96) U. S. Department of Commerce Patent and Trademark Office ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER H-32407A TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES n. see 37 CFR 1.5) DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) **CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371** INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 11 March 2002 (11.03.02) PCT/EP03/02446 10 March 2003 (10.03.03) TITLE OF INVENTION TASTED MASKED VETERINARY SOLID COMPOSITIONS APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US THOMA ET AL. Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1). 4. A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date. 5. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) a. is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. A has been transmitted by the International Bureau. (See Form PCT/IB/308) c. I is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35) U.S.C.371(c)(3)). a.

are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. A have been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. Thave not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. have not been made and will not be made. A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)). An executed Declaration and Power of Attorney (original or copy) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 10. A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). Items 11. to 16. below concern document(s) or information included. 11. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 12. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. A FIRST preliminary amendment. A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.

16. Other items or information: Application Data Sheet, Unsigned Declaration and Post Card.

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The following fees are submitted: CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a) (1)-(5)): \$920 International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) \$730 No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) but international search fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2))...... \$770 Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO..... \$1,080 International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(2)-(4)..... \$100 \$ 920 **ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =** Surcharge of \$130 for furnishing the oath of declaration later than \,\ \ \ 20 \,\ \ 30 \$ months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)) CLAIMS NUMBER FILED NUMBER EXTRA RATE Total claims ō 16 - 20 = 0 X 18 \$ Independent claims 2 - 3 = 0 Х 86 \$ 0 MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable) \$ 290 TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = \$ 920 Reduction of 1/2 for filing by small entity, if applicable. Verified Small Entity Statement must also be filed (Note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28). SUBTOTAL = \$ 920 Processing fee of \$130 for furnishing the English translation later than 20 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)). 920 **TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =** \$ Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40 per property TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = 920 Amount to be: refunded charged a. 🔲 A check in the amount of \$ to cover the above fees is enclosed. b. 🛛 Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$920 to cover the above fees. A

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